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## Prof. William Allen Presents Third Faculty Recital of Year

Prof. William Allen, associate professor in piano and theory, will present a piano recital including some of his own compositions on Wednesday February 29 at 7:30 in the Houghton College chapel.

A Beginning Improvisation by the performer will commence the recital. Other numbers included will be "Sonata in C major" by Mozart (K279) and "Toccata, Op.7" by Schumann.

The remaining selections on the program were written by the performer. Among these is a Sonata 1955 dedicated to Allyn Foster, a music student who graduated in June, 1955. A Novelty number, "Jonah git Caught into de Whale, Boy" and a Scherzo 1948 will also be included on the program.

Among his other compositions are Sonata for Trumpet and Piano, Three Moods for Orchestra, Overture, which was performed at a University of Minnesota composers' symposium, and his doctoral thesis, an eighteen minute orchestral piece which was performed at the Eastman School of Music in 1953.

Dr. Allen, a native of Aberdeen, South Dakota, who has been at Houghton since 1953, studied composition under Anthony Donata at Northwestern University School of Music, where he received his B.Mus.

## College Files For Aid in Preparing For Roster Rise

On January 15, Houghton College filed an application to *The Fund for the Advancement of Education* for a self study grant. This is a program of grants for the utilization of college teaching resources and will enable the colleges to prepare themselves for the coming rise in enrollment through self study.

As was worked out for the application by the Administration and Educational Policies Committees, two members of our present faculty, Dr. Bert Hall and Mr. George Wells, are to be relieved of half their duties for a period of one year to study the plans of various colleges and to evaluate our own program, if Houghton receives a grant. They will gather data by travel and correspondence and then adapt this information to our own needs. As a conclusion to their study, they will present the school with a master plan of program development for the next ten years.

Recipients of these grants, which range from \$2,000 to \$10,000 will be notified in April.

**BELGIAN CONGO — (ACP) —** The first University of the Congo area was officially founded in Elizabethville in November. The University will have the three-fold task of being a center of instruction, of contributing to scientific research, and of forming a cultural nucleus.

(ACP)—A survey by the Institute of International Education in New York reveals that over 9,000 U. S. students studied abroad during 1954-1955.

Initial reports set the exact figure at 9,292. The American citizens studied in 47 countries and political areas.

and M.Mus., and under Bernard Rogers at Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester, where he received his doctor of philosophy in composition in 1954.

This is the third faculty recital of the school year.

## Student Senate To Be Host For Parents' Day

For the purpose of introducing mothers and fathers to Houghton's college life, the Student Senate, under Donald Bagley, and the Public Relations Office, under Dr. Robert R. Luckey, are uniting to sponsor a parents' weekend. The date of this is not certain, but it will be sometime this spring.

Parents will be invited to come on Saturday to attend classes in the morning and a special program in the afternoon and evening including a banquet. They will also be urged to stay for the Sunday church services.

One of the reasons for this program is that many parents have never attended college and in this way may obtain an idea about college life and better understand their sons' and daughters' school problems.

The program is still in the planning stages under a Student Senate committee headed by John Banker. Any suggestions will be appreciated.

## Annual Red Cross Fund Drive Opens Here March First

The American Red Cross will open its annual fund drive here in Houghton March first, under the leadership of Mrs. Frank Lane and Mrs. James Donley, James Hurd, Allegany County Fund Drive Chairman, states.

The quota for Allegany County is \$16,041, and for Houghton, \$235. The Allegany County Chapter of the Red Cross expects each community to raise or top its quota because of year.

If you missed handing in your Red Cross Contributions after the Red Cross Chapel on February 23, please leave it at the Bookstore or with the Houghton Chairmen, Mrs. Frank Lane and Mrs. James Donley.

## Dean Ferm's Thesis Will Be Published

Dean Robert O. Ferm's doctoral dissertation on "the evangelical crisis" will be published for use as a textbook in theological seminaries.

The Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, will publish the book upon its revision for that purpose, Dean Ferm learned in his recent trip to Kansas City. Dean Ferm will receive his degree when the revision is complete and he takes a final examination upon it.

## Boulder Program Wells Earns Doctor Features Linton, Yahn In Musical Of Education Degree

The 1956 Boulder staff will present *The Coffee Machine*, a musical play by Dr. William Allen, tonight at 8:00 p. m. in the college chapel. David Linton will star as the coffee machine. Dorothy Yahn will play opposite him in the role of Jean Willard. Other members of the cast are Rebecca Leddon as Thornia Printemps, Norman Parks as Hugh Glue, Mary Bernard and Robert Reynolds.

Professor Allen has used as a theme for the production "typical life in the Lucky Building basement." The story is a romantic one involving a mass crush on "Ronald McDonald." The one exception to this spell is evidenced by Thornia Printemps who is in love with the coffee machine which in turn, finds itself enamored of Jean Willard. The plot is climaxed when an interested observer insists that order be brought out of chaos.

The words for one song are Shakespeare's — all the rest, as well as the entire musical score, were written by Professor Allen.

## STA Considers Secondary Educ

On Thursday, February 8, President Paine was called to a meeting of the teacher education counsel of the State Education Department which was to consider modification of the present academic certification requirements for teaching in secondary schools.

Since 1949, college graduates have been given temporary one-year certificates which must be renewed every year. It is now the hope of several colleges in New York State that graduates will be able to acquire four-year provisional certificates with the fifth year to be completed in service within five years. Although Dr. Paine is not a member of the State Teacher's Association, he is joining with about twenty other four-year college heads that are working for the modification of these requirements.

## Yearly Ministerial Disciplinary Courses To Be Offered By College March 5-7

The ninth annual Ministerial Refresher Course presented by Houghton College and the fifth annual Wesleyan Methodist Disciplinary Course of Study will be held March 5 through 9. Convening the two courses simultaneously instead of having the Refresher Course in February and the Disciplinary Course in May is new this year.

The Ministerial Refresher Course will begin with a welcome by the Ministerial Association Monday evening. The daily program includes morning devotions, 8:00; Chapel, 9:00; message by Dr. F. R. Eddy, 9:45; Practical Theology by David Heinz, 11:00; The Thessalonian Letter by Prof. Claude Ries, 1:30; special topics, daily, 2:30; varied activities, 3:30; evening services with a debate Thursday, 7:30.

Other speakers are President Paine, Rev. Edward Angell, Rudolph Nelson, Dean Robert Ferm, Prof. Bert Hall, Lawrence Olson, and Rev. Norman Townsend. Special music will be provided by the college Choral



Coach George Wells

## Plans for Dorm, Chapel Progress

Mr. Clifford Broker of Concord, New Hampshire, who is doing the architectural work on the new chapel and wing for East Hall, was here last Friday and Saturday to go over a few changes with the building committee.

The size of the pillars on the chapel was enlarged, the cornice narrowed and simplified, and other changes, made which were considered necessary to the artistic proportions of the front of the building.

The seating plan was so designed that the sight line in both the balcony and the main floor is, for each row, five inches above the row in front. Complete plans for the development of the foyer were presented with location for murals indicated. H. Willard Ortlip has been released from his teaching load this semester to work on the murals for this space, which is 150 running feet and 4 feet high.

Mr. Broker also presented a revised basic floor plan for the East Hall wing. The hallways will be six inches wider, and there will be a small prayer room at the end of each floor. The clothes closets have been enlarged slightly. They will be eight feet long with a single rod and sliding doors.

The plans have been approved by the committee and Mr. Broker will proceed to complete the final plans.

Coach George R. Wells, director of athletics at Houghton College, was hooded for his Doctor of Education Degree in Educational Administration on Wednesday, February 22, 1956. Coach Wells has been doing his graduate study at the University of Buffalo, under his advisor, Dr. Arthur K. Kaiser, who is dean of the Millard Fillmore College in the University of Buffalo.

Coach Wells has written the thesis for his doctorate entitled *A Study of the Competitive Athletics Program for Men in Liberal Arts Colleges in the National Association of Evangelicals in 1954-55*. In writing this thesis, he was sponsored by the Commission on Education of the N.A.E., with Merrill C. Tenney, chairman.

Coach Wells contacted forty-nine other liberal arts colleges with Houghton as the fiftieth to get statistics for his study. The purpose of this study is "to attempt to ascertain the current practices in the organization and administration of such a competitive athletic program and to analyze them for their scope and effectiveness."

Mr. Wells received his A.B. degree at Houghton College in 1947, his M. Ed. at Springfield College, graduating with an equivalent to Summa cum Laude. He began working on his doctorate thesis in 1953 and completed the research for it in the fall of 1955. An oral test before the faculty of the School of Education completed his requirements for his Doctor's degree.

There were 13 doctorates awarded on Wednesday, seven in Education and six in Philosophy.

When asked how it feels to be a doctor, he said, "When I started I felt I would never attain this place. I want all the credit to go to the Lord." He also stated that he does not know what the Lord has in store for him, but it is in His hands. In conclusion he declared, "I still prefer to be called 'coach'."

## Mr. Alex Steese, Former Resident, Dies At 93 Yrs.

The oldest member of Houghton church has gone to be with the Lord. When Alex Steese died in Barberton, Ohio, last Friday, he was 93 years of age. The funeral was held here Monday.

That the Christian who determines to walk with God will reach the "full stature of his intention as it is in Christ, in salvation and sanctification, as he enters into the glorious fellowship with Him" the Rev. Mr. Pitt applied to Mr. Steese. Pastor Angell, who preached the sermon from the texts, "He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness but shall have the light of life" and "Ye are the light of the world," commented that Mr. Steese was one of the mirrors that reflect Christ. He illustrated Mr. Steese's Christian testimony by reporting that among his last words were: "Jesus is coming; I am going home."

Two of the Steese children are graduates of Houghton College, Laura Pardee, '25, and Paul, '27. Three others took work here.

The Steeses moved here in 1915 into what is now the dormitory for high school girls.



# Do We Have Democracy?

The Student Senate has done a fine job with its petition for the rescheduling of tests immediately following special services. That the Senate and the Administration can work together on so admirable a project and come to such a desirable conclusion is proof that students and faculty are not at odds all the time. No one can have any complaints about the new system as opposed to the old.

One perhaps can find a complaint about the way the system is working out the first time it is being tried. The rule is that no Monday, Wednesday, Friday classes can schedule tests the week immediately following special services. Before this ruling was passed, some classes meeting those days had scheduled tests for what turned out to be the wrong week. Classes meeting the other days had already planned tests for the second week, which was wrong for them. With or without the ruling, the students are in for a barrage of tests, except

that they fall on the second instead of the first week after special meetings.

This would not be so bad, except for the fact that some classes would prefer to have taken their tests the wrong week and were not allowed to. One large class voted 69-1 to have the test anyway, but when the teacher checked about the ruling, she was told that it would be better to abide by it.

This is a unique situation, of course; there will never be such a mix-up again, but our democracy didn't work this time.

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## Task of the Christian

BY JOEL SAMUELS

"... God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given us the ministry of reconciliation." II Corinthians 5:18.

This verse explains the salvation and consequent witness of the regenerate man. When a man is saved, he is immediately given the ministry of reconciliation.

The meaning of reconciliation is to unite two discontinuous elements into a relationship of peace and harmony. Thus, the Christian is given the responsibility of challenging other men with the Author of his faith.

This ministry is to be carried on within our present society and life. No one will deny that the whole world has a grave need of Jesus Christ — the need is deep and universal. With such a great need, the Christian may shudder with awe at the responsibility given to him. He may wonder how he will "preach the Gospel to every creature" and to what persons he will witness of the power and wisdom of the Cross. Apart from the dynamic given by the Spirit, the Christian would be caught in an inescapable dilemma.

We are human, and must be limited to time and place; however, when finding ourselves in the will of God, we will be able to maintain an adequate and effective witness. An effective witness will be given as we answer the call, "Follow me." In doing this, all Christians are led in different directions to different situations.

Thus, being in the will of God is the method of governing our whole life so that we will be a witness where we are particularly located. This not only gives an effective witness, but also enables the Spirit to work through us, for we are in proper relationship with Reality.

## In Medias Res



### REPEAT PERFORMANCE

When we are tired and hungry, and stumble out to the candy machine by the mailboxes, we do it with the intention of stifling our hunger pains, not just to see "out of order" signs plastered across the mirror, hiding our visages. If people could only learn to coax the poor things along with all their idiosyncrasies, instead of treating them as if they were wild African beasts, they might be more obliging more often. Let's have a "Be Kind to Machines Semester" to see whether it will pay off in dividends. We have sentimental attachments for our Buffaloes, and don't like to see them thrown down the slot for nothing.

### OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES

Mimi Hurd revealed a startling piece of information to her father the other day, (and we quote): "Daddy, did you know that Mrs. Barker had to have an operation? I think they said she had to have her independence out." We hope that the operation was not too painful, the extent of which we are unable to predict, since we are unacquainted with the exact position of such an organ in the body.

### A HOME AWAY FROM HOME

For quite some time we've been wanting to express our appreciation of the hospitality extended by our professor of Philosophy and his family to his students. This is just one evidence of the personal interest our faculty takes in the student body. Whenever Dr. Hall and his wife invite members of his classes down to their home for a time of fun (want to play Clue? watch T.V.?) and food (yummy, tog), we have been assured of a tremendous time. It amply makes up for the scheduled activity we might have had to miss because of lack of you-know-what. From personal experience we will always remember this gesture with very warm feelings.

### PIPE DREAM

With all snow we've had this year, it's too bad the annual Winter Carnival has dropped into oblivion. Why did all the snow have to be wasted in the making of snowballs that proved disastrous to Goyadeo windows and in the barraging of East Hall doors? What's happened? Jealously we read accounts in exchange college newspapers of the Snow Carnivals in other schools. Just up the valley, Brockport State Teachers had a very successful one this year. Come on, Student Senate! You did a wonderful job with the skating rink. Couldn't we push a revival of Snow Carnival Weekend for next year at least? Snow sculpturing, snow-ball rolling contests, fort fights and other winter sports, indoor and outdoor, would provide group activities all could enjoy. Let's get on the ball and bring back this old-fashioned tradition. Sports forever!

### THE SOUTH RAHDES AGAYUN

Also in scanning exchange papers we came across *The Reveille Echo* from Bethany Nazarene College in Oklahoma and found that Miss Esther Saxon, famed ex-member of our music faculty, presented a piano recital there Feb. 10. Included in her program was a composition by our own Dr. Allen, dedicated to Miss Saxon, *Prelude and Fugue*.

### LOST AND FOUND DEPARTMENT

Lost: one pair of tortoise-shelled glasses, over Letchworth gorge. If found, please contact Dave Cauwels immediately.

### TAKE THE BUSH OFF

You, too, may become famous. Just sit down in a soft chair, close your eyes, and let your mind drift away 'till it's past the wall of sensibility and is buffeted around in the realm of the unconscious. Here you will suddenly receive impressions and inspirations. Wake up, write them down and poof! There is your entry for the *Lanthorn Contest*. It's as simple as that. You have nothing to lose, and everything to gain. Just think, we may have another O. Henry or Longfellow lurking around campus, waiting for the big moment — his discovery! The little effort you put forth might bring tremendous results. Try it, and see the enjoyment you get from creating something of your own.



### "Punxs'y Kids" Protest Claim Groundhog as Own

Dear Editor:

This letter is written in response to the section in "In Medias Res" concerning Groundhog Day, in the Feb. 10 issue of your paper. We, the students of Houghton College from Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania, the "Groundhog Capital of the World," wish to inform the authors of said article that "His Majesty, the King of Seers," saw his shadow at the Punxsutawney weather works (outside his home at Gobler's Knob) at 8:33 a. m. Thursday, Feb. 2, 1956.

If anyone is in doubt just ask to see the picture event on the front page of "The Punxsutawney Spirit," our newspaper.

We also shuddered at your reference to our "King Groundhog" as a rodent. Maybe he is, but that particular title is not very majestic.

Now that everyone is informed, we trust that before writing on this subject again, you will check The Authority — the only Authority, Punxsutawney's Groundhog — as to the authenticity of your information.

Yours truly,  
"The Kids from Punxs'y"

OUR STAR SKEPTICS WERE CONCERNED PRIMARILY WITH THE WEATHER IN HOUGHTON. PENNSYLVANIA GROUNDHOGS DON'T INTEREST THEM.—Ed.

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## What's Your Impression?

BY CAROL HAZLETT

For this issue of the STAR, unwary newcomers were cornered and asked: What is your impression of Houghton? Will these be the same impressions they have when they leave Houghton? Let's all strive to see that they are.

Mr. Hutchinson (new music instructor): I have arrived here in the middle of the year and it's difficult to take over. I have been impressed by the way people have helped me adjust. My biggest definite impression is that as a whole, students and teachers come up to the ideals that I have encountered both in my Bible and in the college catalogue.

Sara Lou Peck: Everyone makes you feel at home.

Mildred Watson: Everybody seems so friendly. It's just like one big happy family.

Wayne Mouritzon: I thought it was great because everyone said "Hi."

Lee Chi Hong: Houghton is very pretty and beautiful. Students are very kind; teachers are very good.

Janet Helenbrook: The kids are so friendly.

Rilla Seaman: The friendliness of students and teachers impressed me

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler





# LANTHORN ILLUMINATES LITERARY LIFE

## A Word of Encouragement: Writers Are People Too!

BY JIMMIE GILLIAM

"All men live by truth and stand in need of expression . . . The man is only half himself; the other half is his expression." Uncountable writers have unconsciously grasped this statement by Emerson, have freely given vent to the cries of man in grips with his emotion and have emerged men. These men were able to harness the powers of their imagination and their everyday experiences in full display.

They actually imprisoned life within two thin covers. Whether fiction, prose, drama or poetry, if it were art at all, the expression was born of life.

The elementary logic that "you are alive; therefore you are capable of expression" is the essence of the theory underlying the *Lanthorn* literary contest. Here is the simple answer to all boys struggling to become men—that missing "half" is an essay or poem or, if he's long-winded, a short story. The March 15 deadline could precipitate an increase in razor-blade sales, men. The contest also provides for femininity. The *Lanthorn* staff is staunch in its support of the 19th constitutional amendment; we believe that Houghton women should suffer over manuscripts.

A malicious misconception must be clarified. English majors are not always a select group of expressionists. Indeed, they plod along in weary disadvantage. Under terrific compulsion they bow to the royal decrees of King Ray and Queen Josephine that "all subjectives volunteer something to the literary contest." Pre-medical students should be able to create "tell-

tale hearts." The psychology lab would be a hideout for some grotesque and odd characters.

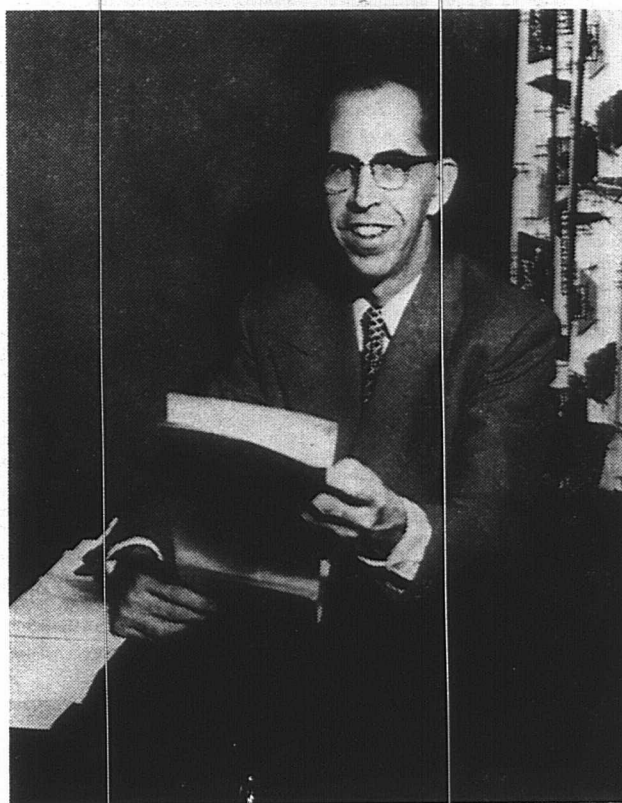
Scout around, "liberal arts"! An original and two carbons accompanied by a pseudonym, a dime and an affirmation of originality may put your name and a night of toil in print.

Writers are definitely human. You've been passing some previous *Lanthorn* winners on your way to class and not one of them can boast of four legs. If you are in doubt, you may investigate.

These potential authors would be advantageous information booths. They will have hints on style, characterization, setting and some graveyard plots. Atmosphere is a must for a short story aspirant. There are ways to get it—even the tying of a miniature rebel flag to a dust mop handle transformed an East Hall room into the deep South last year.

There is a recognized need for a vital expression of our generation. The *Lanthorn* staff appeals to the pup-writers of Houghton. Actually, someone could put Houghton on the map.

## Lynip Prepares for Deluge



Dean Arthur Lynip, famed for his patronage of the right shoe repair shops and one-time 'Lanthorn' contestant, gives his views below as to why everyone should participate.

## Hazlett Cites Schools Literary Tradition & Aim

BY RAY W. HAZLETT

(Reprinted from the 1947 *Lanthorn*)

Volume I, Number I of the Houghton *Star* appeared in the journalistic firmament, February, 1909, unheralded by astronomical calculations or predictions. The very capable editor, Miss Alison Edgar stated the purpose and the policy of this new literary luminary very adequately in this first issue. After enumerating the distinctive features of school life that were



Prof. Ray W. Hazlett

to receive representation under the heads of reform, religion, missions, faculty, personal tiems and the activity of the literary societies (the Neosophic and the Philomathean), she added the hopeful, yet humble statement:

"We have among our younger students several promising story writers. We are sure you will enjoy anything we may be able to obtain from them. We have now indicated something of the general line along which we expect our paper to develop, but our plan is very incomplete. We are daily receiving valuable suggestions and are at all times open to criticism and advice."

In the very next issue appeared the first short story, authored by Fredarica Greenburg and entitled "Belinda". Progressive ideas continued very much in evidence; for the first continued story, "A Belated Decision" by Estella Glover, was succinctly and successfully serialized in the March and April numbers for 1910. Among the half

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## Leaders Reveal Ideas in Staff Interviews

### Alice King

Alice King, editor of the *Lanthorn*, is no novice in *Lanthorn* work since she was make-up editor of the magazine last year. A major in English and Latin, she has also been a reporter for the *Star* and was elected to *Who's Who* last fall.

### John Pogany-Powers

John Pogany-Powers, Associate Editor of the *Lanthorn*, is well-qualified for this position. A love of writing, perhaps inherited from his father, an author and journalist; practical experience, gained by working on the *Star* staff as a reporter and on the *Boulder* staff as literary editor; an understanding of the art of writing, derived by writing, and winning the *Lanthorn* short story contest in 1954,—these are the talents with which John is endowed. Also serving as chaplain of the Student Senate, radio manager of F.M.F. and advertising manager of Torchbearers, John is indeed a versatile student.

### Dan Wilson

Those people who avidly follow the sports events at Houghton will be surprised to discover that a love of sports, a major in chemistry and an interest in literary publications can be found in one young man. At Houghton there is such a young person—Dan Wilson. Any night the Junior men's basketball team clashes with another class team, he may be seen passing, receiving and dribbling the ball up and down the court with his fellow teammates. An entirely different picture is presented as Dan, serving as subscription manager of the *Lanthorn*, solicits *Lanthorn* subscriptions.

When lab assistant Dan Wilson keeps young chemists from blowing up the laboratory, one can readily see that Dan ought to be successful when he enters graduate school two years hence.

### John Valk

John Valk, a history major, is the business manager of the *Lanthorn*. He has been active in football and class basketball and was an officer in the Ministerial Association. He is now president of the upperclassmen's Sunday School class. Upon graduating, he plans to attend seminary at either Princeton or Westminster. After this, he hopes to go into full-time Christian service.

In reference to his plans for *Lanthorn*, he says, "This year we are doing more advertising than ever before. We are also working on ways to raise money. Included in our plans are a special chapel with readings and music, visits to the English classes and a cake sale."

### Fredi Krantz

Frederick Krantz, art editor of the *Lanthorn*, is well qualified for the job since he was art editor of the *Boulder* last year. An English major, Fredi is now feature editor of the *Star*. He hopes to attend art school next year and to eventually become an illustrator.

It is Fredi's ambition to have more artwork in the *Lanthorn*, and he is hoping to have some full page illustrations. He says that the color is going to be "really different" and that the *Lanthorn* will be "definitely modern in design."

### Jimmie Gilliam

Jimmie Gilliam, two-time winner in the *Lanthorn* short story contest, can truly be called an all-round student. An English major with minors in German, speech, and education, Jimmie has been active on the *Star*, *Boulder*, basketball, Student Senate, Oratorio society and church choir. As a fitting climax to her achievements in the fields of scholarship, leadership, citizenship and service, Jimmie was one of six to be elected to *Who's*

*Who* this year.

Jimmie's plans for the future include first graduate school, then teaching English and speech.

### Marilyn Johnson

Marilyn Johnson, an English major, is proofreader for the *Lanthorn*. In addition to being a super-saleswoman for the Avon Company, Marilyn is active in debate and is a feature writer for the *Star*. She was secretary of her sophomore class and Student Senate social chairman.

As the future editor of the 1957 *Lanthorn*, Marilyn is already getting ideas for next year through her work with this year's staff. She won second prize in the story division of the 1954 *Lanthorn*. Marilyn warns, "Remember, kids, only nineteen more days to enter the contest."

### Dr. Lynip

"My one claim to fame," Dean Arthur Lynip, advisor of the *Lanthorn*, says, "is that I once had my shoes repaired at the shop of Mike De la Rocca, who won the \$64,000 question last week. Speaking out of the dignity inspired by this claim, I'd say that everyone should jump at any excuse for writing his thoughts and emotions for the literary contest."

"Everybody is a story; is able to produce an essay with only a little thought; and could create a poem from his emotions. By expressing ourselves in these ways, we may help others and win fame and immortality for ourselves through the pages of the *Lanthorn*. I myself competed as a student in every *Lanthorn* contest and actually got fourth place once for a poem. Unfortunately, fourth place didn't count."

### Mary Nichols

Mary Nichols, despite the fact that she came to Houghton fourteen years ago when she was six, still claims

Michigan citizenship. Her father is a stone mason, carpenter and minister.

An organ and piano student, a forward in basketball, proofreader on the *Lanthorn* and a waitress at the college dining hall, Mary, with her varied talents, is following in her father's footsteps.

Now in her sophomore year, Mary plans to major in English.

### Betty Jane Goodwin

Betty Jane Goodwin can certainly claim experience as her teacher in helping her to fulfill her duties as lay-out editor of the *Lanthorn* successfully. Editor of her high school year-

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Alice King, 'Lanthorn' editor, and John Valk, Business Manager, look over the names of previous contest winners.



## LANTHORN, Cont.

## Lanthorn History Reveals The Originality &amp; Spirit of Founders

BY JOSEPHINE RICKARD

(reprinted from the 1947 Lanthorn)

Very little connection exists between owls and lanterns — or does it? Yes, in Houghton twenty-four years ago, owls caused lanterns (*Lanthorns*) to appear. Four years after the date the owls were no longer to be found, but the *Lanthorn* has shined intermittently until the present day.

To explain, the *Star* staff of 1932 constituted itself a literary club with the appellation, The Owls, and invited



Prof. Josephine Rickard

others to compete for membership by submitting manuscripts of their best stories, essays, or poems. The purpose of the club was "to improve the journalistic quality of the *Star*, to promote literary interest in the school, and to encourage the writing of literary productions." Their motto was: "Accomplishment." They planned actively to aid the literary contest and to publish both a literary magazine and a student songbook, only the magazine materialized. June of the year saw a souvenir-like booklet with a cream-colored cover carrying an artistic design of a lantern emitting beams of light, and thirty-two large, wide-margin pages of *belle lettres*, features, and comment on literature and art.

Though the 1932 *Lanthorn* constituted the medium for the publication of the current literary contest, its purpose, it will be noted, was greater than that. It was meant to make Houghton conscious of literature and creators of literature. The staff and contributors were eminently capable

of achieving their purpose. Among them were: the only person who has taken first in all three divisions of the literary contest, one of the best poets we have had among our students, the supreme example of a student essayist willing to rewrite his work a dozen times if necessary to bring it to perfection, a good illustrator, a clever feature-writer and a number of others with considerable literary knack.

Holding to the original purpose of the club, the Owls included both literary productions and criticism in the 1932 and 1933 *Lanthorns*. After 1933 the general articles on literature and art were dropped, but features of various types were added to give spice and tone to the publications. For instance, in 1938 appeared a page of "Visualettes," on the order of *Reader's Digest* "Toward a more picturesque speech"; in 1939, humorous, satirical and wholly superfluous footnotes, and in 1940 a facsimile of a page of the *Star*, on which was printed the best news story, the best music criticism, the best sports article and the best editorial of the year. The quality and interest of most of the early *Lanthorns* were enhanced by the use of cuts made by various art editors. The editors of 1942 and 1946 carried no features.

During its career the *Lanthorn* has missed five editions, two of them — 1934 and 1936 — for the lack of literary interest, and three — 1943 — 45 inclusive — because of the exigencies of the war years. It has changed size markedly once, between 1936 and 1937, the difference being a reduction from a nine by twelve inch size page to digest style — five by eight. It has changed sponsors three times — from the Owls Club to the majors of the English department; from the majors to the Executive Literary Board and the two upper classes; and finally by the student body. It has been financed solely by subscription with small deficits having been made up by occasional subsidies from members of the English department or by the College.

## LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bibler



## Service Test Senate Advises School on To Be Given Post Revival Test Giving

College students interested in taking the Selective Service College Qualification Test have until midnight, Monday, March 5, to submit application, it was announced by Dr. George E. Moreland, test supervisor. The test center in this area is Room 33, Science Building.

To be eligible to apply for this test, scheduled to be given April 19, a student must intend to request deferment as a student, be satisfactorily pursuing a full-time course of instruction, and must not have taken the test previously.

Students interested in taking the test to qualify for possible draft deferment in order to continue their college education must have completed application, postmarked no later than midnight, March 5. Applications dated after March 5 will not be accepted.

## Staff Interviews

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book, worker on her high school newspaper and proofreader on the *Star* staff, she is well qualified to advise constructively on literary publications. Betty Jane is a senior English major and after graduation plans marriage and teaching.

## Hazlett Cites Literary Tradition and Aims

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dozen or more stories to appear within the next two or three years may be mentioned "A Substitute" (March, 1911) by F. H. Wright, and "The Awakening of Elmer West" (January, 1912) by Bessie M. Fancher. Practically all the stories are characterized by a serious and didactic purpose.

In her initial editorial Miss Edgar made no reference to poetry, but poems, both serious and humorous, did appear quite regularly. In fact, the poet laureate, J. A. McPherson, was represented in the very first issue by a poem entitled "Houghton on the Genesee," which refers to "Jockey Street, the gate to hell," in the best of epic balladry.

Prose is represented by essays, orations, articles and sketches, which appear in prolific promiscuity. The heterogeneous nature of this embryonic and ambitious monthly magazine is much in evidence, but a strong literary flavor and cultural feeling prevails from the very start, even in the personal column and local items, from which such gems as the following may be gleaned: "Every Monday we are treated to an inspiring melody from the young 'birds' of the sight-singing class . . . Some of the college students have exercised to discover who Mr. Ibid is."

We come now to the next major event in the evolution of a literary tradition. The January, 1914, *Star* contains the following brief and breathless item at the end of a long editorial column:

"We have only the barest time and space to mention our new literary contest which has just been launched . . . In our next issue we will have something more to say about it. As you will observe, it is a part of our plan to found a permanent event of this nature, and secure a silver cup on which to inscribe the names of the yearly winners . . . We are bursting with enthusiasm for this plan, but until the next issue we must somehow contain ourselves."

## Incoming Students Introduced At Tea

East Hall lounge set the stage for many new friendships the afternoon of February 15, from three to four p. m. during the new students' reception.

Miss Blake and Miss Rennick served refreshments while Mrs. McMillen and Miss Gillette poured tea and coffee. Dean Fern introduced the new students to the faculty and Student Senate members. Informal conversation followed.

Included in our new enrollment is a student, Ch-Hong Lee, from Saigon, Viet Nam. Having been in this country less than a month, Lee speaks and understands English very well. He attended a public school in Saigon, where he learned to speak French and English in addition to his native language. Houghton College became known to him through two cousins studying at the Missionary Training Institute at Nyack. Lee is considering a science major. Lee would add that he finds Houghton students very inquisitive people!

## On the job



75 YEARS

Our ingenious editor happily succeeds in maintaining restraint and sanity; for as promised, the next issue contains the following effusion, a mixture of the gracious and the grandiose (Oh, to recapture some of the irrepressible gusto of youth and the incredible naivete of those primitive days!):

"We had intended making an urgent appeal to our readers for the Silver Loving Cup . . . and in fact, the copy was already in the hands of the printer, when the joyful intelligence was broken to us by our Business Manager, Mr. Babbitt, that through the noble generosity of Mr. Henry R. Barnett the cup had been secured. To say that we were gratified with the news and grateful to Mr. Barnett is putting it mildly. Under the stress of our emotions we allowed ourselves to be persuaded to mount the rostrum and announce the fact to the student body, which we did with no little fear and trembling. . . . One of the greatest difficulties to be met in running the paper is to secure any literary material whatever, let alone have any choice in the selections of articles. With a Literary Contest every year we are satisfied that the quality of the paper will be greatly improved and the care of the editor immeasurably lightened."

But alas for a budding belief in human nature! The harassed editor concludes her harangue in the following somewhat gloomy strain:

"Now students, what are you going to do about your responsibility in the matter? Are you going to plead 'no time' and a hundred other flimsy excuses and allow the contest to be a flat failure; or are you going to take hold and make it a success from the very start?"

In response to a Student Senate request, the Local Advisory Board agreed to ask that there be no period tests for the Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes the week following special services. The interpretation was suggested that only Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday tests and sectional tests (usually held Thursday nights) should be scheduled the week after meetings.

The Student Senate requested a review of special service arrangements by the faculty because so many tests in the past have been scheduled for the first week after the services. Prior arrangements were to modify assignments and not schedule period tests during meetings. In order to maintain the proper schedule of testing before mid-semester grades are due, many teachers have used the week following meetings for period tests.

The request was received by the Local Advisory Board, there being no faculty meeting scheduled in time to take action before the services. The local board observed that special services are of primary importance to the school in fulfilling its objectives, and that some provision that would make it possible to attend the nightly services was necessary, the normal schedule of work making this difficult for some and impossible for others. Therefore, they concluded that we should continue our program of lightening assignments and not scheduling period tests and make the additional adjustment also.

The Board also requested the observation of the Senate as to how this modified schedule put into effect in the spring of 1956, for the first time, assists in meeting the problem.

In an article, "Poets and Poetry of Allegany County" found in *The Historical Annals of Northwestern New York* (Vol. II, p. 1040), Miss Mildred H. Sisson, founder and leader of the Cuba Poetry Society, comments as follows on the success and significance of this event: "It is worthy of note that in the year following the first issue of the magazine *Poetry* in Chicago, a magazine that has played such an important part in the 'renaissance' of poetry in this country, Houghton College inaugurated a poetry contest as part of its annual literary contest. Mr. Babbitt and Ray W. Hazlett, now dean of the college, were among its originators." Miss Sisson then appends a list of the best poems among the prize-winners up to about 1940.

Some critics of the contest have lamented the so-called high-pressure tactics of a paternalistic English Department. It is true that over the past ten-year period, voluntary entries have been almost nil, and that an amazing, if not alarming preponderance of winning productions belonged to the freshman class; whereas clearly that distinction should be the prerogative of the upper classes.

There is an unbeatable passion to achieve — an inner compulsion for self-expression and an irresistible urge to create — which is, of course, still the important ingredient and the indispensable incentive. Houghton has the potential ability and the literary tradition — if a third of a century means anything. All that is lacking is the will — a sense of permanent esthetic and spiritual values as opposed to a preoccupation with ephemeral minutiae of collegiate life, and a fine enthusiasm for true scholarship and solid achievement. Certainly a stultifying apathy, a leaden mediocrity, or a smug provincialism should not characterize the students of any liberal arts college — particularly of a Christian college!



## From The Bookshelf...

### FICTION: Greene's Latest Set in London

THE END OF THE AFFAIR, Graham Greene, Viking Press, Inc.  
REVIEWED BY BETTY STARK

Graham Greene has created an intense picture of jealousy and love in this highly-rated novel. Sarah is an immoral woman who seeks hopelessly for peace in her sin and only finds it when she abandons the dearest person in her life—and thereby her sin also. This is the story of a woman who made a bargain with a God whom she thought non-existent and in the fulfillment of her promise found Him to be real. The agony of unbelief and searching becomes dear to Sarah as her avenue to the love of God.

As deeply as Sarah personifies love, Maurice, her lover, portrays jealousy. He even goes so far in his distrust of Sarah as to have her shadowed by a professional detective. This man is deeply mortified to discover that the one of whom he is jealous is God. Graham Greene effectively shows the horrible obsession that jealousy can become.

The plot has its setting in London during the Second World War. The author does not present much descriptive detail, but a reader does gain vivid pictures of London's rainy season and of the soap-box orators on the Common. Greene relates his story in the first person, and, also, he uses diary excerpts. These both

help to give the book a most personal and tense atmosphere. The characters, as has been intimated, are more symbolic than actual people whom one can remember and know "tres pres." Rather a reader knows a search for God (in Sarah) and jealousy (in Maurice).

Greene works mostly with concise, short sentences which come very near being poetry at times. For instance, Sarah prays: "But You (God) are too good to me. When I ask You for pain, You give me peace. Give it to him too. Give him my peace—he needs it more." She also writes in her diary: "If one could believe in God, would he fill the desert (of losing human love) . . . I am afraid of the desert. God loves you, they say in churches; God is everything."

Greene's purpose seems to be to present a justification for pain as well as the relentless horror of being jealous. *The End of the Affair* accomplishes this in an absorbing manner.

### RELIGIOUS: C. S. Lewis' Autobiography

SURPRISED BY JOY, C. S. Lewis, Harcourt, Brace, and Company, New York, 1956, 238 pp. Price \$3.50.

REVIEWED BY ROBERT DRISCOLL

In its first American edition, the autobiography of Christendom's most subtle English logician-wit offers the narration of his conversion to Jesus Christ from a progression of Atheism, Idealism and Theism. One experiences, however, a sense of incoherent dabbling into various and unrelated thoughts, though they be "gems" or, rummaging through a voluminous, dusty attic with a passive interest in its curios and antiques. Reflection precipitates speculation concerning the relevant worth of the initial twelve chapters, excepting an introduction to C. S. Lewis, the man, the ethereal, the literateur and (in his words) the "Prig".

The reader, unfortunately, has little interest in progressions of schools, old friends and a bibliography of classical books. A portion of this major *Reductio ad tedium* is partially imperative, never-the-nath, to develop a basic reference for the conversion-to-come, and to discover Lewis' usual reward of capsuled wisdom—the trade-mark of which is clearness. Thoughts on almost any subject lead

one from "Bacon (is) a solemn, pretentious ass," to "It is more important that Heaven exist than that any of us should reach it."

The author is impressive with his individual literary style; his uniqueness in expression is refreshing. His idea that religion is priggish exhibits itself often; Lewis likened church to a fussy, time-wasting bother because of the umbrellas, notices, crowds and bustle: "I had as little wish to be in the church as in the zoo."

The remaining three chapters are the sole vindication of ennui. Accepting a desire for satisfaction within as insatiable in the physical realm, Lewis admits that God is, but that he has no immediate direction. Deciding between Hinduism and Christianity ("The only two logical religions") C. S. considers himself led to Christianity by sheer ratiocination. Finally oppressed about making a positive or negative decision for Christ, conversion occurs. "It was not emotional. Rather, it was more as when a man, after being asleep, still lying motionless in bed, becomes aware that he is now awake."

*Surprised by Joy* is recommended, with a caution concerning much appealing material, for all the open-minded.

### NON FICTION: Gunther Bares Africa

INSIDE AFRICA — John Gunther, Harper Brothers & Co., New York, 1955, 850 pp.

REVIEWED BY ALBERT WILLIAMS

Mr. Gunther's *Inside Africa* is the latest addition to his *Inside* series and deserves to be the most widely read of any of them. John Gunther has compiled everything that there is to be known about the African continent today. To gather material, he and his wife traveled over 40,000 miles, interviewing 1,503 people all over the continent which is four times larger than the U. S. The result of this assiduous effort is a book which will likely be the most widely read, non-fictional book about Africa since Stanley.

The plan of the book follows the chronology of Gunther's trip. The work is divided into two large groupings, (1). North and East; (2). South and West.

In the first group are Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia, Libya, Egypt, Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya and Tanganyika and

Uganda. Collectively these are the most Europeanized countries in Africa and this combination of European and African cultures makes them rich in strange contrasts. Modern buildings rise among old fantastic Moorish architecture. One may find American movies or Coca-Cola in a city where many of the women are heavily veiled and remain inside most of the time. Wretchedly-poor natives mingle with colonists who live in tax-exempt luxury.

Part II begins in the Union of South Africa and takes us through Portuguese Africa, Rhodesia, Nyasaland, the Congo, Gold Coast and Nigeria. This is the more predominant "Black Man's Africa." Natives in this section represent all levels of social, economic and political development. In the interior bushmen still practice witchcraft and remain hostile to outsiders. Gold Coast nationalists have been able to restrict British development of the world's richest bauxite deposit there by refusing to

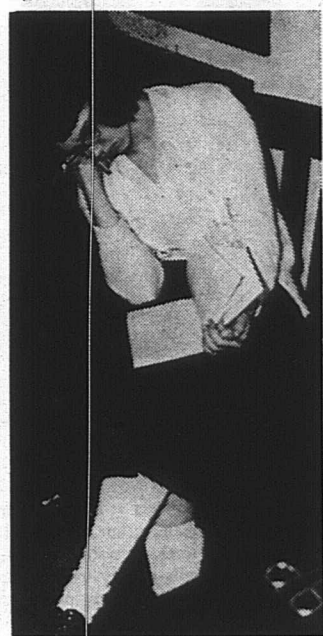
### Frosh Tests Place Them in Top Third

According to the freshmen testing program, the class of '59 ranks well within the top third of the participating colleges.

The following results will give some indication of how the average Houghton freshman fared, as compared with students of other schools.

In the A. C. E. Psychological Test our freshmen stood 22 out of a total of 152 colleges; English, 30 out of 119; Contemporary Affairs, 20 out of 62.

The purpose of these tests is to "help the student adjust to a new environment and plan his future college work."



Is this Sleeping Beauty or is there too little oxygen in the chem lab.

allow foreign companies to take the contracts.

Throughout the book Mr. Gunther discusses such questions as the survival of the white man in Africa, Communist infiltration of nationalist parties, American financial interests and the causes and results of the sudden modernization of hundreds of bushmen who have flocked to the cities. Of course basic and vital to all of these is the issue of white rule.

The principle African grievances against the colonial rule are about economic exploitation and the failure of the colonial powers to provide education for the natives. On the other side, Mr. Gunther points out several advantages which colonization has brought to Africa. It has opened Africa to civilization and democracy, abolished slavery and ended tribal warfare, built communications, developed natural resources, introduced scientific agriculture, fought malaria and other diseases, brought Christianity and some education.

Yet, white rule is passing rapidly in Africa. The change is basically that the imperialists' philosophy is giving way to an ethical feeling that it is morally wrong for one nation to rule another. Then too, the expenses of a rule by force are often outbalanced by the small return. Missionaries have taught equality, and the world wars weakened the white masters and brought Africans in contact with the world.

The problem common to all the ruling powers is that of keeping Africa from Communism and that hostile nationalism which wants to be rid of white rule at any cost. Africa is rich in untapped natural resources and is important for its strategic location in the event of another war. Such wealth can hardly be lost to the great powers.

Mr. Gunther concludes his book by

### Town Meeting: Ike's Recovery



### Will Our President Again Run as Republican Nominee in Fall?

BY WALTER HEDGEPAATH

The top news story of 1955 was the heart attack suffered by President Eisenhower. Since that occurrence, interest and speculation concerning his decision regarding a second term have been mounting to fever pitch. To volleys of questions desperately aimed at this matter by reporters, the President has remained non-committal, his only definite information being his promise to disclose his second term intentions by February 29. Last week, the nation received the most important single prelude to this final announcement—a full report on the extent of Mr. Eisenhower's recovery from his illness.

Some of the country's best physicians, including heart-specialist Paul Dudley White of Boston, gave the President every encouragement for a safe and active future. Specifically, they assured him that, "barring the hazards and uncertainties of life," he appeared capable of shouldering and carrying responsibilities for the next four to six years. "Nobody questions what they had in mind."

The medical report was made public at the approximate closing hour of the New York Stock Exchange; hence, the sudden surge of renewed economic energy was felt first at San Francisco. Buyers from the East ordered stock by telephone and telegram in order to beat the rising prices of the following day in New York. But despite soaring prices (some shares jumped as much as eight dollars each), the sales of the first hour on the next day broke an eight-year record. Comparing this enthusiasm with the dangerous blow suffered by the stock market on the day of the heart attack, we must conclude that the President's health and its effect on his office, both now and for the next four years, are issues of great magnitude in the eyes of the American public.

At first glance, one is likely to judge these drastic economic reactions as indicative of fear of the President's death, or assurance of his continuing good health; but many commentators agree that economic America is acting, not on a basis of the life or death of the President, but rather on a consideration of the possibilities of his running for re-election. If this latter judgment is correct, we should realize that the political stock of the Republican Party for the next four years has made gains comparable to the boost on the stock market. Investors have a way of putting money where they have the right to vote for its safety.

Many, however, refuse to accept the favorable medical news as conclusive evidence that Ike will run. Will he decide in accordance with the best interests of his party? Perhaps the feelings of his family will determine his decision. Legislation designed to delegate some of the burdensome presidential duties to qualified assistants could, if put into effect, influence the chief executive in his choice. Correspondence received by the President since his illness indicates that this latter move is a popular one with his voting public.

The recent health report proves nothing conclusively, except that the President is capable of doing the job for another term. But the fact that he is capable suggests at least two significant possibilities: first, that he may well choose to seek another term; second, that if he does run, he will be as hard to beat as he was four years ago.

### Father Of Country Inspires Universal Brotherhood Week

BY JOHN PETERSON

As we celebrate the 224th birthday of George Washington, we also notice on our calendar that this same week has been designated as Brotherhood Week.

It is by no mere accident that Brotherhood Week comes each year during the period when we mark the birthday of our first president. If we check on our American History notes, we will notice that on many occasions he phrased key ideas that have served as guides to those who sponsor this annual observance.

One aspect of the Father of our Country stems from a number of accepted legends that have been attached to his name contrary to documentary facts. According to E. J. Long in an article in last Sunday's *New York Times Magazine*, the hardest of these is the "cherry tree" story, and how young George would not tell a lie. This is attributed to Parson Mason Locke Weems, who supposedly obtained the details from an "excellent lady" whose name has never been revealed.

This entirely discredited "cherry tree" myth was not solely invented by affirming, "Africa is awake, Africa is alert . . . for good or ill it is marching with the times."

Weems. The possibilities of direct authorship go back to a story that appeared in the London newspapers around 1799. It could have been suggested by a scene on a German mug that dated back to the late eighteenth century. It pictured a boy hitting a small tree with a hatchet. This mug also carried the initials "G. W. 1776."

Another Washington myth credits the first president with throwing a dollar across the Rappahannock River (or the Potomac River, if you wish) at a Fredericksburg site. The fact is that "the first American dollar was not minted until some years after Washington's alleged feat," Mr. Long declares.

On the more serious side, Washington addressed the Quakers in 1779: "The liberty enjoyed by the people of these states, of worshipping almighty God agreeably to their consciences, is not only among the choicest of their blessings, but also of their rights. While men perform their social duties faithfully they will do all that society or the state can with propriety demand or expect; and remain responsible only to their Maker for the religion, or modes of faith, which they prefer or profess."

In the light of these few remarks of a great man, can we not see the growth of an idea spreading over time as well as space?



# CLOSE BATTLE LOOMS FOR COLOR SUPREMACY

## Gold Girls Eye Crown Monday

Gold girls clash with Purple for the third time Monday night, February 27, in an effort to clinch their second straight championship. Fresh from a hard-earned 38-37 victory Wednesday night, they are solid favorites to win. Marty Cronk, Alice Banker, and Jimmie Gilliam again should run wild in what should be an offensive battle. Purple's trio of Sarah Peck, Micky Nichols, and Marge Harbers can be expected to show offensive power, but aren't quite a match for Gold's three.

### Gold 38, Purple 37

In the second game Wednesday night, Purple dogged Gold's heels all evening, only to lose by the narrowest of margins. The Pharaohs led at the quarter mark 10-9, on the strength of a superbly shifting zone defense that stymied Gold's driving attack, and forced them to outside shooting. Banker got hot in the second stanza, hitting for 10 of her 11 points to carry her team to a substantial halftime lead at 27-20.

Purple started their uphill battle with five straight points at the outset of the second half, and Peck and Nichols kept the fire burning. However, Marty Cronk's phenomenal foul shooting (13 out of 16) closed the door in their face. Marty led Gold with 19 points, followed by Banker's 11 and Gilliam's 10. Peck paced Purple with 18. Nichols hit for 15 and Harbers, who played a crunching game under the boards, had 4.

### Gold 43, Purple 32

Led by the tremendous play of their famous triumvirate of Banker, Gilliam and Cronk, the Gold women asserted their expected authority over the Purple girls, by whipping them to the tune of 43-32. From the opening tap the Gold forwards tossed the ball around the floor as if it were a hot potato. With Gilliam's working well on the pivot, and Banker scoring, Gold quickly pulled away to a 13-3 lead at the two-minute mark. Midway in the second quarter, the margin was increased to 17 points at 26-9, and the count stood 30-15 at the half. Miss Banker netted 15 points to account for Purple's defeat. Sara Lou Peck, scoring 19 points, was the only offence Purple could muster. Only the tenacious guarding of Fran Stine and Evie Bagley kept the score down.

In the third quarter, Purple, again led by Miss Peck, cut into the Gold lead until they were behind by nine points, 33-24. Gold was not to be denied, however, and again, sparked by Miss Banker, opened their lead and held on till the end.

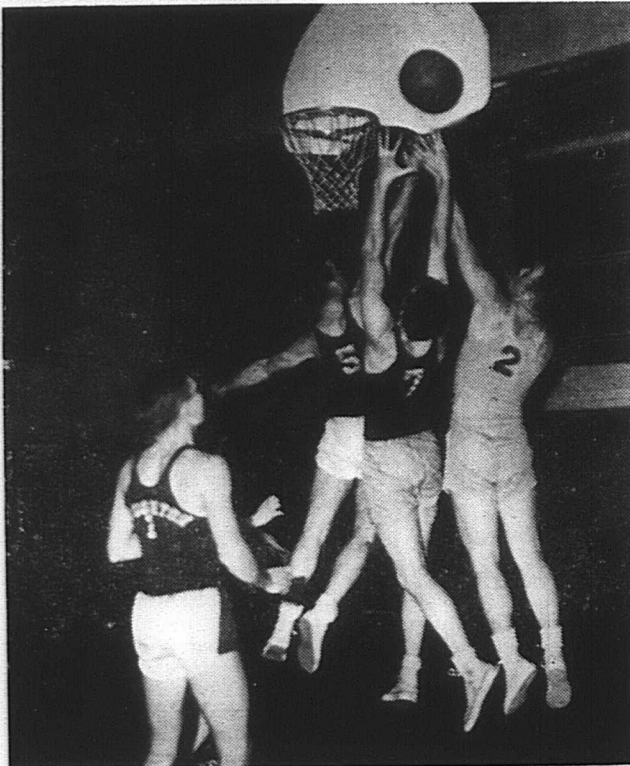
### Cronk, Roeske Try Again

Houghton's annual shuttle-cock shuffle shoves off February 31 with Marty Cronk and Bill Roeske defending their championships.

Marty must again be installed as the favorite in the girls' tourney because of her sparkling performance last year. Joan Egeler and Alice Banker will dog her heels during the play.

Roeske can expect plenty of trouble from the same two net stalwarts who bothered him last year — Phil Janowsky and Gordy Beck. Any three of these can take it, but Roeske must be favored because of his ability to play the net and to place shots.

Games will be played at the gym at any time agreeable to matched contestants, provided the gym is not in use.



Hagelmann, Wood, Burton (1. for.), practice rebounding. Strength under the boards will play important part in Monday's game.

## Tucker Approaches Seth Says: House League Title

The stage is set for a possible up-setting of the apple-cart tomorrow. Tucker, resting cozily in first place after authoritatively knocking off Hess House and the Independents, meets Stratton house Saturday; and Jim White and Clyde Michener, if they're on, have the stuff to knock the race into a four-way tie for first.

Tucker has a lead of one solid game, but breathing on their necks are the Academy, Hess and the Independents, all resting in second place with 6-2 records.

Hess' and Independents' aspirations for the crown were roughly knocked askew during the past week as Tucker decisively defeated both. Saturday they trounced Hess 52-33, as Brian Armstrong and Don Thompson led the way. Hess might have proved a little more troublesome if cauwels and Juroe were in the lineup. Both are ailing with bad legs.

Last Thursday Tucker took care of the Independents with a last quarter rush that put them on top to the tune of 46-33. Armstrong's outside shooting, coupled with Estep's and Lyman Pierce's yeoman work under the boards, offset Gordy Dressel's 16 points. It was close until the last frame. The score at half time was 15-11, Tucker, and the Independents had cut one point into the lead by the end of the third quarter, to trail 28-25. Armstrong hit on two sets, and Pierce came from underneath to start the onslaught; and the Tucker men never let up.

The Academy, still very much in the race, ran up a record score in beating Mills House 111-35. Paul Mills, who has been graduated to color ball, bucketed 49 points (another record), and the entire first five hit double figures. Morton had 19, Spinelli 15, and Kreider and John Mills both had 13.

In other games, Dry Bones, sparked by Sheesley's 19 points, trounced Lewis House 64-34; Stratton crushed Panich 59-22 with Michener bagging 25; and Dow Hall, minus Gordy Beck, took Lewis House 40-34. Frase and Atwood, with 16 and 14 points, led the Campground Cagers.

## Gold's Strong Bench Surprises Favored Purple In Upset Of Year

The Gold Gladiators, fresh from a well-deserved victory over Purple, take to the court Monday, February 27, to try to stretch their victory string to two games. Coach Gordon will start the same five that have carried the load in the first two games, but will be able count on a relatively strong bench for the first time in the series. Lyman Wood, Ray Bohn, Bruce Price and Dick Pendell might be the deciding factors in this series.

Purple having felt the sting of defeat, will be roaring back with a vengeance. Janowsky, Roeske, Trasher and Gommer will be out to win at all costs. Rebounding strength will decide the ballgame, all other things being equal.

Wednesday night, Gold nonchalantly knocked the Pharaohs off their pedestal, by defeating them 67-57. With Coach Gordon substituting at the right moments throughout the game, the Gladiators were able to keep pace with Purple, and in the last part of the ball game, ran them roughly into the floor.

The first half was close all the way, Purple never leading by more than five points, at 15-10. Burton cashed in two field goals, however, to put Gold back in the ball game, and with both teams trading basket for basket,

the Gladiators pulled abreast at 25-25 on Mills' one-hander from underneath, and doggedly held on to leave the floor at the half with the score 31-31.

Janowsky led Purple to a 40-53 lead to start the half but Gold came right back on Charles' set, Butler's driving fast break off a jump, and Burton's two fouls to take the lead at 41-40. They never lost it.

Hagelmann's three point play widened the lead to 60-53, and Charles and Mills added counters to put Gold in front 65-54. Brumagin added a foul and Roeske a field goal, but Butler sank two fouls to end matters at 67-57.

Roeske led Purple with 17, and Trasher, hitting frequently from underneath, had 16. Mills again paced Gold with 21, followed by Hagelmann's 13, Burton's 12, and Butler's 11.

BY JOHN S. REIST

### Purple 80, Gold 63

Purple resumed the defense of its tight hold on the color crown by defeating Gold 80-63 in the first game of the series Monday night.

The Pharaoh's big four of Janowsky, Trasher, Roeske and Gommer were more than enough to offset Paul Mills' and Jay Butler's valiant attempts to keep Gold in the ball game.

Purple broke fast at the start with Roeske and Janowsky scoring, but Mills kept pace with them by scoring Gold's first points on his patented one-hand jump. Purple, led by Gommer, led at 24-14, before Mills and Butler collaborated for ten points to bring them up to 37-34. It was nip and tuck at the half, 35-32.

Mills and Butler again were Gold's answer to Janowsky, Gommer and Roeske as they swept the Gladiators into the lead at 40-39. Butler hit on two consecutive one hand push shots to tie it at 37-all, and after Janowsky pumped in a one-hander from the keyhole, Mills sank a free throw, and Burton followed suit with two fouls to take the lead.

Their lead was short-lived, however. With Janowsky doing the bulk of the work, Purple pulled away to a ten point lead at 60-50, and then Trasher, Gommer and Roeske came through to ice it.

The breaking point came midway in the second half. After Butler's one-hander brought Gold to within eight points at 62-54, Trasher hit on a one-hander from underneath, Gommer drove in for two, Trasher hit again from underneath, and then Roeske topped it off with a jump shot to put Purple far out of reach, 70-56. Both teams traded baskets until, with the score at 75-59, Coach Gordon inserted his second team. Pendell and Bohn hit the bucket for four, but Roeske, Janowsky and Rockhill combined for five points to finish matters.

Janowsky was high man with 28 points, followed by Roeske and Gommer with 17. Mills led Gold with 25, and Butler added 15 on his outside shooting.

The big difference was Purple's strength under the boards, and their fast break, with Gommer going down.

Purple's basketballers at last find themselves up against it. Gold has come up with a ball team, a fine coach and a good bench; and this combination should produce some interesting results.

Monday night Purple triumphed 83-60. However, things weren't so bad as they look. Gold kept pace with Purple until the Pharaoh's stronger reserves entered the ball game. Gold ran out of gas in the second quarter and despite Mills' surprising, yet great showing, and Butler's fine outside play, it looked like a one-sided series again.

Wednesday the astute Mr. Gordon decided to use his bench, and it paid off. Strategically inserting Price, Wood, Bohn and Pendell at the right moments, he gave Butler, Burton, Hagelmann and Charles the needed rest; and instead of folding up, the Gladiators gave the Pharaohs a dose of their own medicine.

Hagelmann and Burton played tremendously off the boards Wednesday, and if they can keep it up, Gold will be very much in the thick of things. Mills has been the deciding factor. It was feared by this writer that Paul would have some difficulty jumping with the big boys, but he is grabbing more than his share of rebounds.

Monday night both teams should be primed for a rugged struggle. Purple is still rated the favorite here, but with an apprehension that bespeaks an uncertainty of choice.

Gold girls proved that they have it in the clutch too, and should clinch it Monday night. Purple is a fighting ball club, but they lack the extra field goal when it is needed. Both defenses are evenly matched, perhaps Purple having a slight edge. However, the shooting eyes of Gronk, Gilliam and Tucker has emerged as the best team in House League fray, having a well-balanced club that decisively defeated Hess and the Independents in must ball games. They face Stratton Saturday, and will have to have an off day to be the losers. One slip and Dry Bones, Independents, Hess and the Academy, all tied for second with 6-2 records, will be on their necks. Tucker should weather the storm, however, and add the basketball crown to their House League laurels. They also were football champs.

## Beck, Banker Cop Scoring Laurels

Running parallel to the class team the play-off game — ending up with race for the 1955-56 championship was the battle for individual scoring honors. Among the men hoopsters, Gordy Beck and Phil Janowsky played it nip and tuck for about five

games. With one game remaining, Beck had poured in 109 points and Janowsky 114. The Seniors ran into the Freshman freeze, however, and Janowsky scored only 13 markers in his last game. In contrast, Beck ran wild against the Sophs with 32 points and took the individual title with a 23.5 average per game. While Janowsky has 21.2 points per game, Chuck Gommer, the Junior's quick-moving playmaker, and Don Trasher, the big Fresh center tied for third place with 15.5 points per game.

The girls' race was much tighter but Alice Banker copped the title any way you look at it. After 6 games she led Jimmie Gilliam 103 points to 101 and further improved her average by swishing 32 points in 8

	G	Pts	Average
<b>BOYS</b>			
1) G. Beck	6	141	23.5
2) P. Janowsky	6	127	21.2
3) C. Gommer	6	93	15.5
3) D. Trasher	6	93	15.5
5) J. Percy	5	66	13.2
6) B. Roeske	6	70	11.7
6) J. Miller	6	70	11.7
8) H. Brumagin	6	67	11.2
9) D. Charles	4	43	10.7
10) B. Price	6	59	9.8
10) C. Michener	6	59	9.8
<b>GIRLS</b>			
1) A. Banker	7	135	19.3
2) J. Gilliam	6	101	16.8
3) J. Miller	5	78	15.6
4) M. Cronk	7	97	13.9
5) M. Harbers	7	97	13.9
6) M. Gilligan	6	58	9.7
7) M. Wallace	6	54	9.0
8) M. Holl	6	53	8.8